**Children languishing in jails**

5473. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU):
DR. KARAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Sciences has of late conduced a study into the number of children languishing in jails with their mothers or to otherwise, and the conditions in which they are living therein;

(b) if so, the latest figures of boys and girls so languishing and how many of them are below six years, State and Union Territory-wise; and how many of them are there in jails for over one year; and

(c) how many of these children were rounded up for begging or petty offences, and what steps are taken and conditions provided for their stay in jails?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Total Number of Children found staying in jails with their mother prisoners as on 30.6.1997, was 885. Of these 519 were males and 366 females and 799 were below six years. State-wise figures are as follows:

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| Andhra Pradesh | 81 |
| Maharashtra | 70 |
| Bihar | 61 |
| Delhi | 60 |
| West Bengal | 54 |
| Rajasthan | 54 |
| Punjab | 51 |
| Haryana | 51 |
| Mizoram | 42 |
| Orissa | 23 |
| Tamil Nadu | 20 |

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|---|---|
| Karnataka | 19 |
| Assam | 18 |
| Gujarat | 15 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 110 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 155 |
| Pondicherry | 1 |
| TOTAL: | 885 |

Total number of children living with their mothers in jails over one year was 136 as on 30.6.1997.

(c) It is informed by the Ministry of Home Affairs that this was not within the scope of the study which was limited to children staying in the jails along with their incarcerated mothers.

**Contractual system for teachers**

5474. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission has plans to adopt contractual system for teachers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the teaching community thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA] (a) No. Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**Transfer on promotion of KV teachers**

†5475. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kendriya Vidyalaya teachers are transferred from their home town to different parts of the country, following their promotions;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.